

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ☐  
no ☐

Property Name: Mill Creek House Inventory Number: CE-1471  
Address: 904 Broad Street (MD 7) Historic district: ☐ yes ☒ no  
City: Perryville, MD Zip Code: 21903 County: Cecil  
USGS Quadrangle(s): Havre De Grace  
Property Owner: Kim & Dorothy Kreckmann Tax Account ID Number: 0807021429  
Tax Map Parcel Number(s): 13 Tax Map Number: 801  
Project: MD 7 over Mill Creek: Replacement of SHA Bridge No. 7006 Agency: SHA/FHWA  
Agency Prepared By: MD SHA  
Preparer's Name: Anne E. Bruder Date Prepared: 05/11/2005  
Documentation is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files  
Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: ☒ Eligibility recommended ☐ Eligibility not recommended  
Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G  
*Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:*  
Name of the District/Property: \_\_\_\_\_  
Inventory Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Eligible: ☐ yes Listed: ☐ yes  
On-site visit by MHT Staff ☐ yes ☒ no Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Description of Property and Justification:** *(Please attach map and photo)*

The single family dwelling at 904 Broad Street is believed to have been originally constructed in the late eighteenth century as a center hall building. It is a frame building with 2-1/2 stories, a central chimney, double sash, six-over-six windows, a slate roof and it is sheathed in wooden shingles. Several additions were added but these reflect stylistic changes during the nineteenth and early twentieth century. These include the rear two story front gable ell and the two story shed roof addition that may have been a sleeping porch.

The house's changes demonstrate the prosperity and aspirations of several owners. First Richard Snowden Thomas at the end of the eighteenth century constructed the single pile, side gable house that faces Broad Street. The deep surround of the front door confirms a date near the close of the eighteenth century and the house is marked on Hardecoeur's 1799 Map of showing this part of Cecil County. The expansion of the house by the next recorded owner, John Stump, is seen in the expansion of the building with the rear ell and the fine gable returns in both the main pile and the rear ell. This new construction occurred during the middle of the nineteenth century. Stump is noted as the property owner on the 1858 Martenet Map of Cecil County. Finally, the sleeping porch was attached to the east side of the rear ell. This has since been enclosed but the form remains very clear. Information obtained from the Cecil County tax records indicate a construction date of 1900. The house is clearly earlier than that date, but in

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Eligibility recommended ☒ Eligibility not recommended ☐  
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**MHT Comments:**

Kim Johnson ✓  
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

6/21/05  
Date

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Reviewer, National Register Program

6/22/05  
Date

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\_\_\_\_\_ all likelihood, that is when the last expansion of the building occurred.

Mill Creek House is eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C, architecture. The dwelling reflects its ongoing development over the past two hundred years demonstrating the interests and desires of the owners to maintain a fashionable property. It maintains its integrity of design, setting, materials and association. Research conducted as part of this study did not identify events or persons important to the history of Cecil County, Maryland or the United States, so it is not eligible under Criteria A or B. As part of this study, while research was not conducted under Criterion D. The NRHP boundary matches the boundary of Cecil County Tax Map 801, Parcel 13.

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Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services\_\_\_\_\_  
Date\_\_\_\_\_  
Reviewer, National Register Program\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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## Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

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### 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Mill Creek House  
other John Stump/Kim Kreckmann House

### 2. Location

street and number 904 Broad Street not for publication  
city, town Perryville vicinity  
county Cecil

### 3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Kim and Dorothy Kreckmann  
street and number 904 Broad Street telephone  
city, town Perryville state MD zip code 21903

### 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Cecil County tax map and parcel: 801/13  
city, town Elkton liber 598 folio 438

### 5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District  
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District  
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER  
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report a  
☐ Other

### 6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="text"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="text"/> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="text"/> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="text"/> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
		<input type="checkbox"/> social	
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	

Number of Contributing Resources  
previously listed in the Inventory

## 7. Description

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### Condition

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Portions of Mill Creek House were originally constructed in the late eighteenth century and additions were constructed during the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. It is a frame building, with 3 bays and 2-1/2 stories. The original part of the house is the single pile that faces Broad Street (MD 7) in Perryville, Cecil County. The several additions that were constructed reflect the owners' interest in changing architectural styles.

The main façade of the house faces north and fronts Broad Street (MD 7). The center hall entry is at the west end of the building and has a deep surround. The porch covers two-thirds of the building front and has a hipped, metal standing seam roof supported by square columns. The windows are double hung sashes with six of six lights in each sash. The chimney is of brick and is between the second and third bays at the east end of the house. The main pile's roof is of slate, as is the rear ell and the entire building is clad in wood shingles.

A rear ell addition with a front gable roof that is two bays wide was attached in the nineteenth century. The gable return on the southwest portion of the building suggests a date around 1850. There are two double sash, six over six windows, one in each story with a single sash window in the attic. There is also a chimney at the south end of the ell.

A two story, two bay addition is attached to the east end of the ell. It is enclosed, but has two doors, one in each story that suggest that this might have been an early twentieth century sleeping porch. In the lower story, the windows are 3 over 3 and appear to be associated with the Craftsman style windows of the early twentieth century. Attached to the north side of the addition is a one story, one bay addition also with a shed roof.

There is one non-contributing outbuilding.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science	
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history	
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime industry	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:	

**Specific dates** 1799-1900

**Architect/Builder** Unknown

**Construction dates**

Evaluation for:

☒ National Register

☐ Maryland Register

☐ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

The single family dwelling located at 904 Broad Street, Perryville is a former farm house that was the residence of John Stump during the last half of the nineteenth century. It is significant for its architecture as an example of a house that has evolved from the eighteenth to the twentieth century. The house was called "Mill Creek House" in an undated brochure for the Perryville Open House Tour and was then the residence of Miss Caroline Stump, a retired school teacher. The brochure described the house as "quaint, white framed, built in 1850 and part of Perry Point Estate." (Perryville Vertical File) Map research conducted as part of this study indicates a potentially earlier date. The period of significance for the Mill Creek House is 1799 to 1943.

MD 7 has a long history as a transportation route between Baltimore and Philadelphia. It is first noted as a Colonial era road connecting Baltimore with Philadelphia and New York. Eighteenth Century maps, including Hardecoeur's from 1799, identify the road in Cecil County as the Post Road with Rodgers' Tavern shown on the east bank of the Susquehanna River where the road ended at the lower Ferry landing to cross to Havre de Grace. While Havre de Grace was a well planned town shown on Hardecoeur's map, Perryville was still a small farm village. In addition to Rodgers' Tavern, there were several buildings shown on Susquehanna Avenue. Although that road led to the north, it did not take a traveler beyond the local Port Deposit District. To the east, the Post Road passed through farm fields and woods until it reached Principio Creek and the Furnace. East of the Furnace, the road is designated as "Philadelphia," but the road actually ended in Delaware, where it joined the road connecting New Ark with New Castle. Near Mill Creek east of Rodgers Tavern, there are three structures noted on the Hardecoeur map and Reynolds' Mills are noted further north on the west bank of Mill Creek.

One house on the south side of the Post Road is shown in the approximate location of the Stump House at 904 Broad Street. According to the present owner, parts of the house date to the eighteenth century (Anne Bruder interview with property owner Kim Kreckmann, May 19, 2004). The buildings shown on north side of the Post Road on the 1799 Hardecoeur map do not appear on the 1877 Lake, Griffith & Stevens Cecil County Atlas and are not standing today.

The 1799 map indicates that R. Thomas was the property owner of a large property that included Perry Point Mansion and Mill south and west of Mill Creek. An undated plat map of the Perryville area identifies the property that extended from the Susquehanna River to Principio Creek belonged to Richard Snowden Thomas. County histories and the Perry Point Mansion MIHP form do not elaborate on who Thomas was and no additional information could be found.

Although not shown on the Hardecoeur map, it appears that the house immediately east of the Mill Creek House, located at 914 Broad Street, is associated with it. It may have been the tenant house because of its proximity to the other building, a rear door that allows egress to the Mill Creek House, and the lack of decorative features found on the Mill Creek House. The proximity of the two buildings reinforces the notion of a working farm. Today both buildings are single family dwellings and while the owners have gardens, they are for the owners' personal pleasure rather than for commercial benefits.

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As noted in Section 7, the Mill Creek House's main facade faces north. The center hall entrance has a deep surround and has two windows on either side of the door. This area of the building appears to be late eighteenth or early nineteenth century in its construction. There is an additional bay immediately to the east and a chimney is between the second and third eastern bays. The spacing between the windows does not suggest that the most eastern bay is a later addition, but entry into the house was not allowed beyond a brief glimpse from the driveway.

A rear ell was attached on the south side of the building. The gable return suggests that it dates from the middle of the nineteenth century, and the 1850 date noted by the brochure would be accurate. A second two story shed roof addition was attached to the south side of the ell. Although now enclosed, it has the appearance of two porches and the top one is reminiscent of a sleeping porch from the early part of the twentieth century. To the north of that addition is a one story, one bay, shed roof addition that leads to the kitchen. The 1943 Sanborn Fire Insurance Company Map indicates that the house had been built out to that extent at the time of the map survey.

Mill Creek House retains integrity of design, materials workmanship and association and is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C as explained in the attached Determination of Eligibility Form.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 2.47 Acres

Acreage of historical setting 2.47 Acres

Quadrangle name Havre de Grace

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

### Verbal boundary description and justification

The boundary is as shown on the 2004 Cecil County Tax Map 801, Parcel 12.

## 11. Form Prepared By

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The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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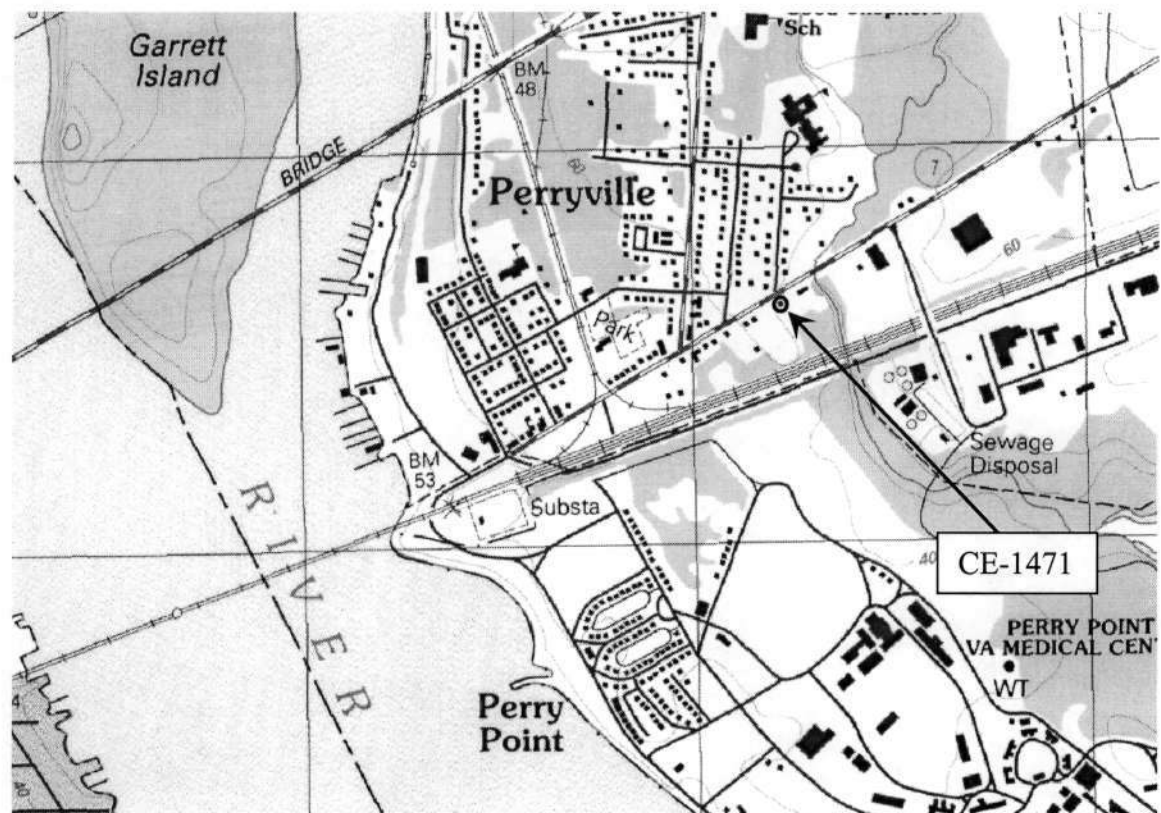
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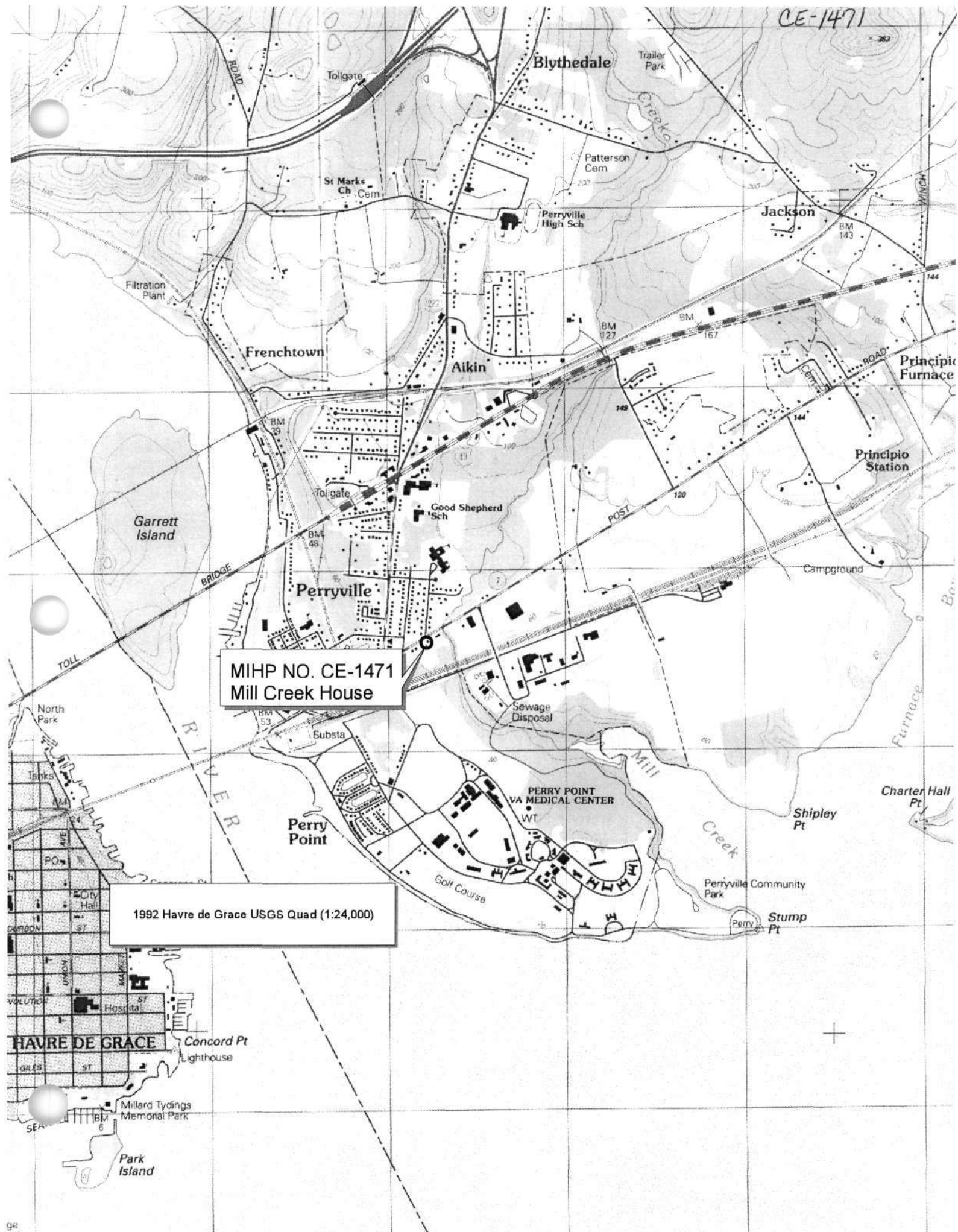
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1992 Havre de Grace USGS Quad (1:24,000)

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